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For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
ADAPTIVE TIMING OPTIMIZATION  
OF AN INTEGRATED CIRCUIT  
DESIGN

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 23,  
2005. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.